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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: Ohio House
3. Street or rural address: 20 West Grant Street
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 003-040-04-05
5. Present Owner: North. Calif. Conf. Assn. of Address: P.O. Box 23165
Seventh day Adventists
City Pleasant Hill Zip 94523 Ownership is: Public _____ Private
6. Present Use: residence Original use: commercial hotel

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Homestead
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical description* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

A two-storey structure with open gable ends. This rectangular building has plain double-hung windows and some smaller four-paned windows. The siding is channel rustic and a plain fascia board covers the rafter ends. Over the front door is a shed roof supported by plain wooden posts and railings.



8. Construction date: Estimated _____ Factual 1857
9. Architect _____
10. Builder _____
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage _____ Depth _____
or approx. acreage 3.2
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
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13. Condition: Excellent ___ Good ___ Fair ___ Deteriorated No longer in existence ___
14. Alterations: shed porch, some windows, siding
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land ___ Scattered buildings ___ Densely built-up
Residential ___ Industrial Commercial Other: ___
16. Threats to site: None known ___ Private development Zoning ___ Vandalism
Public Works project ___ Other: ___
17. Is the structure: On its original site? ___ Moved? Unknown? ___
18. Related features: ___

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

This structure, recently proven to be the original Healdsburg hotel, the Ohio House, was discovered through this survey. In 1856 or 1857 a Mr. Snyder established a hotel on Healdsburg Avenue just outside of the 1857 City Limits (near current Powell Ave.). This first hotel later became a gunsmiths shop, and in 1864 became the residence of Thomas R. Prince, a native of Maine, and Abbey Prince, born in Maine in 1817. The Prince family lived in this house for many years until the building was sold and moved to a location further south on Healdsburg Avenue, at which time a false front was added to make a commercial building. In the 1920's or 1930's this structure became the residence of Ethel Marie Smith, and it was moved back from the street onto this site (along with several other barns and small houses) to make way for a new shopping center in the 1960's.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
 Architecture ___ Arts & Leisure ___
 Economic/Industrial ___ Exploration/Settlement
 Government ___ Military ___
 Religion ___ Social/Education ___

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).

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 lithograph 1875, 1884

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